

In the Claims

Please cancel the following claims: 40, 41, 42, 52, 53, 54, 64, 65, and 66.

Amend claim 45 as follows:

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45¹⁰ (Twice Amended). The fluid pump of claim 43⁸ further comprising at least one of means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed radial directions toward the impeller and means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed axial directions toward the impeller, whereby said impeller is levitated in at least one of said [axially] axial and [radially] radial directions by [at least one of] the [magnetic and] fluid forces.

Amend claim 48 as follows:

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48¹³ (Twice Amended). The fluid pump of claim 46¹¹ further comprising at least one of means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed radial directions toward the impeller and means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed axial directions toward the impeller, whereby said impeller is levitated in at least one of said [axially] axial and [radially] radial directions by [at least one of] the [magnetic and] fluid forces.

Amend claim 51 as follows:

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51¹⁶ (Twice Amended). The fluid pump of claim 49¹⁴ further comprising at least one of means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and

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discharging the fluid in opposed radial directions toward the impeller and means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed axial directions toward the impeller, whereby said impeller is levitated in at least one of said [axially] axial and [radially] radial directions by [at least one of] the [magnetic and] fluid forces.

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Amend claim 57 as follows:

19 57 (Twice Amended). The fluid pump of claim 55 further comprising at least one of means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed radial directions toward the impeller and means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed axial directions toward the impeller, whereby said impeller is levitated in at least one of said [axially] axial and [radially] radial directions by [at least one of] the [magnetic and] fluid forces.

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Amend claim 60 as follows:

20 60 (Twice Amended). The fluid pump of claim 58 further comprising at least one of means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed radial directions toward the impeller and means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed axial directions toward the impeller, whereby said impeller is levitated in at least one of said [axially] axial and [radially] radial directions by [at least one of] the [magnetic and] fluid forces.

Amend claim 63 as follows:

26 63⁹⁵ (Twice Amended). The fluid pump of claim ~~61~~⁹³ further comprising at least one of means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed radial directions toward the impeller and means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed axial directions toward the impeller, whereby said impeller is levitated in at least one of said [axially] axial and [radially] radial directions by [at least one of] the [magnetic and] fluid forces.

Amend claim 69 as follows:

27 69⁹⁸ (Twice Amended). The fluid pump of claim ~~67~~⁹⁶ further comprising means at least one of means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed radial directions toward the impeller and means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed axial directions toward the impeller, whereby said impeller is levitated in at least one of said [axially] axial and [radially] radial directions by [at least one of] the [magnetic and] fluid forces.

Amend claim 72 as follows:

28 72⁹¹ (Twice Amended). The fluid pump of claim ~~70~~⁸⁹ further comprising at least one of means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed radial directions toward the impeller and means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed axial directions toward the impeller, whereby said impeller is

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levitated in at least one of said [axially] axial and [radially] radial directions by [at least one of] the [magnetic and] fluid forces.

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Amend claim 75 as follows:

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~~75~~ (Twice Amended). The fluid pump of claim ³²
~~73~~ further comprising at least one of means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed radial directions toward the impeller and means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed axial directions toward the impeller, whereby said impeller is levitated in at least one of said [axially] axial and [radially] radial directions by [at least one of] the [magnetic and] fluid forces.

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Amend claim 78 as follows:

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~~78~~ (Twice Amended). The fluid pump of claim ³⁵
~~76~~ further comprising at least one of means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed radial directions toward the impeller and means for conducting fluid from the peripheral region of the impeller and discharging the fluid in opposed axial directions toward the impeller, whereby said impeller is levitated in at least one of said [axially] axial and [radially] radial directions by [at least one of] the [magnetic and] fluid forces.